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A METHOD OF ALLOCATING/SHARING RESOURCES AMONG USERS OF A
COMMUNICATION NETWORK

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In a network (201 to 204), the use of a resource (209) is optimized by managing access to it dynamically. Users access the resource only when they require it and it is released immediately afterwards. This is obtained by a hierarchy stored in a memory (207) in the form of a list of users organized as a function of the contracts they have entered into for access to the resource. The requirements of users for access to the resource are examined and serviced (200) regularly.

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